

LAST EDITION

Suicide of a Well-Known Producer

He Shut Himself in His Stand, and Took

A Note for \$1,000 Was Coming Due

and He Was Embarrassed,

William G. Smith, a well-known produce dealer, who was awarded stands 50 and 51 in the new West Washington Market, was found dead in the loft of one of his stalls at 5.30 this morning.

When morning came she despatched Henry Dites, a friend of the family, to see what had become of her husband.

It is supposed that early yesterday morning he shut himself in the loft and took the poison, and that death was almost instantaneous.

Smith was a man rated in the trade as worth from \$50,000 to \$75,000.

The cause of his suicide is said to be partly a matter of family quarrels.

On his body were found letters which showed that he had indorsed a note for \$3,000 for the Brooklyn Stock Farm of Stanton, Neb. His clerk says he acted as if he feared that he would have to make this note good.

His son William, who is on this same farm had also written that he must have \$380 with which to pay his board and other debts.

The old man worried a good deal about his son, and no doubt this had much to do with his death.

Mr. Smith's business in the new market fel

far short of that done by him in his old quarters, and this, it is thought, so preyed upon his mind that, with his other troubles, he was led to commit the fatal deed.

Undertaker Benedict took charge of the body this morning at 8.30, and it will be taken over the river for burial.

Mrs. Smith reached the market soon after the body was found and she was beside herself with grief and distraction.

William Goetz, the clerk, examined the books, and said that everything was in proper condition.

Clerk Goetz was at work in the cellar at

A GREAT RAILROAD BLAZE

THE HOUSATONIC STRUCTURES BURNED
AT WILSON POINT.

NORWALK, Conn., May 23.—Wilson Point, the southern terminus of the Housatonic Railroad, was visited by a disastrous conflagration this morning at 3 o'clock.

The employees had to run for their lives and the fire soon spread to the passenger depot, coal bins, freight buildings and, in fact, everything that would burn on the quarter-mile of wharf.

Twenty-seven loaded freight cars were burned, with their contents.

The passenger steamer Cape Charles was moored at the wharf, and narrowly escaped destruction, but her hawsers were cut and she floated off with the tide.

Dozens of other vessels were saved in the same manner.

There are no facilities for extinguishing fire at the point, and a special train was run to Norwalk and a fire engine and two hose companies were loaded on it at 5 o'clock; but the flames were beyond control and everything except the new floating dock, which had never been used, was burned to the water's edge.

This accident, following closely on the House's defeat in the Legislature at Hartford, is a heavy blow to the Company.

ORDERED TO QUIT THE K. OF L.
Pittsburg Carpenters Stirred Up by a Circular from the Brotherhood.
[SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.
Pittsburg, May 22, 1894.]

PITTSBURGH, May 23.—A circular of the National Brotherhood of Carpenters, ordering three local unions to withdraw from the Knights of Labor, under penalty of forfeiture of sick and death benefits, has engendered a bitter feeling, and may cause a defection from the Brotherhood of 2,000 Knights.

The men regard the order as the first step of an open fight on the K. of L. by the American Federation of Labor for supremacy.

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WITH THE SAME KNIFE,

Frank Compton Cut His Wife's Throat and His Own.
[SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.]
SCRANTON, P., May 23.—Frank Compton, of West Pittsburg, this morning cut his wife's throat with a butcher knife.

He then killed himself with the same weapon, his dead body being afterwards found over that of his wife.
Compton was thirty-five years old.
His wife was twenty-eight.
Marital differences are the supposed cause of the crime.

CITY OF NEW YORK GETS IN.
Her Time from Queensdown 6 Days, 18
Hours, 6 Minutes.
The ocean racer City of New York arrived

The City of New York left Roche's Point at 7.03 p. m. on Thursday, May 16. Her log shows the following runs: Friday, 335 miles Saturday, 412; Sunday, 377; Monday, 444.

Saturday, 4.12; Sunday, 4.13; Monday, 4.14;
Tuesday, 4.15; Wednesday, 4.16; Thursday,
4.17.